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that I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention or design entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING PACKETS IN A MULTI-PROCESSOR ENVIRONMENT, the specification of which (check one) :

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\_\_\_\_\_ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application  
Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
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that I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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